

WILLIAMSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL



Jubilee **SPEECH NIGHT**

Williamstown Town Hall

Wednesday, 8th December, 1965, at 8 p.m.

Chairman J. C. COE, Esq.

Head Master P. H. POWELL, B.A. B.Ed.

Music Mrs. H. LASZLO, Dip. for Ed. in Music

Physical Education Miss V. HOPTON, F.P.C.V.
Mr. B. W. MAHONEY, Dip. Phys. Ed.
Mr. J. O'CONNOR, T.T.C.

School Pianiste GLENN CAMPBELL.

PROGRAMME

1. THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.
2. THE HEAD MASTER'S REPORT.
3. ADDRESS by Mr. F. H. BROOKS, M.Sc., Dip.Ed., F.R.A.C.I., F.A.C.E., Director of Education.
4. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS.
5. VOTE OF THANKS by Mr. J. C. COE, Chairman, Advisory Council.
6. GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION.
7. BOYS' CHOIR.
 - (a) March of the Kings French Carol
 - (b) Carol of the Birds Words by John Wheeler—
Music by William G. James
8. GIRLS' CHOIR.
 - (a) Viva la Musica A Round
 - (b) Bobby Shaftoe English Folk Song
 - (c) Pokarekare Maori Love Song—Arranged by
Ernest McKinlay.
9. GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION.
10. BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION.
11. THE SCHOOL.
 - (a) "When Britain Really Ruled the Waves"
from Gilbert & Sullivan's "Iolanthe"
 - (b) Hold Fast Words by A. H. Lawson,
Music by Denis Gerity,
Arranged by Mrs. H. Laszlo and Glenn Campbell
12. THE SCHOOL SONG.

HEAD MASTER'S REPORT

I have the honour to present the 50th Annual Report of Williamstown High School. This report is printed in the hope that parents will be able to read it in full and so have some idea of the school activities for 1965.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

This year we have celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the school. Very happy and successful functions were held over the week end of March 19th, 20 and 21st. These celebrations began with a special Jubilee Assembly held in the Williamstown Town Hall, on the Friday afternoon. We were honoured by the presence of Mr. F. W. Johnson, the first head master of the school, Mr. L. J. Bowe, headmaster from 1956 to 1960, Mrs. C. E. Brook, whose husband was the headmaster from 1947 to 1956, Miss M. Stocks, art mistress and sportsmistress in the early days of the school, and Mr. Chris Cameron, the school's first sportsmaster.

Mr. R. A. Reed, Chief Inspector of Secondary Schools, an old boy of the school and head prefect in 1922 addressed the school and inducted the prefects. The Mayor of Williamstown, Cr. Sadler, installed the House Captains. A Reunion Ball was held in the Royale Ballroom on the Friday night, on the Saturday morning several hundred old students attended the back to school assembly taken by Mr. J. Mollison in the "Drill Hall", and in the afternoon over a thousand people attended the garden party in the Williamstown gardens. A very successful reunion dinner was held in the Williamstown Town Hall at night and these special functions concluded with a well attended and inspiring Church Service in the Town Hall on the Sunday afternoon. Other functions were arranged during the year and are mentioned elsewhere in the report.

ENROLMENT AND ACCOMMODATION

Our enrolment for 1965 was 910, made up of 446 boys and 464 girls. This is the biggest enrolment in the history of the school, being 30 more than last year.

The form distribution was:

Form VI, 78; Form V, 110; Form IV, 167; Form III, 187; Form II, 196; Form I, 172.

The large Matriculation class was due mainly to students from Altona North High School coming here for their final year. Altona North will have its own Matriculation classes next year and this will ease the strain on our own Matriculation classes. For many years the number of girls at

the school has been much bigger than the boys. The numbers for 1965 have been almost equal. The smaller intake at the Form I level over the past three years has enabled the classes in Forms I, II, and III to be kept close to forty pupils. Unfortunately our intermediate forms have been far too large. They should be much smaller next year.

Accommodation has been unsatisfactory and the problems will not be overcome until the extensions and rebuilding are carried out. An extra third form and two more Matriculation classes have increased the problem of class room accommodation. Three rooms in the Drill Hall have been used as class rooms and it has been necessary to use the office of the Senior Mistress for many Matriculation classes.

Latest information indicates that the Public Works Department has given a firm of private architects the job of preparing the detailed plans and specifications for the extensions to the school. The long delay is extremely disappointing. The Advisory Council has endeavoured to arrange a deputation to the Minister of Education to see what can be done to speed this work up and have tenders called.

Fluorescent lights have been installed in the Drill Hall, power points have been fitted in the physics, chemistry and biology rooms so that the scientific apparatus supplied under the Commonwealth Government's grant can be used and the pottery kiln for art classes has been wired. All these jobs were paid for by the Department.

FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT

The Department has supplied 98 dual desks and eight new typewriters. Scientific equipment valued at £1,100 has been supplied by the Commonwealth Government. This included a Bell and Howell projector, eight general purpose microscopes, an overhead projector, a powered vacuum pump, an electric substitution balance, four quick weighing balances, a cathode ray oscilloscope, a barograph, a thermograph, eight boxes of rock specimens, eight boxes of mineral specimens, a box of fossil specimens.

A pottery kiln costing £360 was purchased so that articles made by the art classes can be glazed and fired. A record player (£36) was purchased for the use of the French classes and art prints (£28) for the senior art classes. Forty garden seats costing £288 were bought for use in the school grounds. These costs were met by Departmental subsidy, donations from the Parents and Citizens Association and from school funds.

LIBRARY

£1,350 has been spent in purchasing reference books, magazines, books for class extensive reading and books for general reading. The Library is well used during special library periods, at lunch time and for study periods. Unfortunately it has to be used as a class room as well. Our librarian, Mrs. Gilbert, and her helpers earn our great thanks for the work they are doing for the school under very trying conditions.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

This year the Intermediate, Leaving and Matriculation examinations have come under the control of the Victorian Universities and Schools Examination Board. The Intermediate and Leaving examinations are now subject examinations. There are no compulsory subjects and a certificate is issued listing the subjects passed. Amendments have been made to the School Leaving Examination pre-requisite for which a candidate must have credit before proceeding to the Matriculation Examination. These take effect from January 1966, but 1966 will be regarded as a transition year for those who wish to satisfy the Board's University Entrance requirements under the old regulations.

MATRICULATION CLASSES

Biology and General Mathematics have been added to the subjects available this year. This means that all science and mathematical subjects are now taught at the Matriculation level. A centre for Matriculation Examinations was established at the school. Rev. Absalom was in charge and all candidates expressed their satisfaction with this innovation. They appreciated the time saved in not having to travel to the Exhibition. Many outstanding results were achieved at these examinations. Andrew Burbridge shared the Exhibition in Economics and also won a general Exhibition. Five First Class Honours and 32 Second Class Honours were gained from this class of 47 students. Six Commonwealth Scholarships, two University Free Places and 14 Studentships were awarded to our Matriculation students.

EXAMINATIONS 1964

Proficiency Certificates 146, Passed in six or more Intermediate subjects, 112, Passed in four or more Leaving subjects, 72.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Commonwealth Tertiary Scholarships: Andrew Burbidge, Robert Charlesworth, Peter Hayward, Howard Parker, Elisabeth Starbuck, Christina Westaway.

Studentships: Russell Cohen, Douglas Conway, John Doull, Vladimir Holod, Greg Jansen, Jim Page, Barry Whear, Margaret Brookes, Pat

Hill, Lorraine Lee, Alison Marks, Pam McGuire, Pat Sims, Lydia Tubbs.

University Free Places: Susan Hutchison, Colin Richards.

Commonwealth Secondary Scholarships:

One Year Scholarships: David Allen, William Balcam, Leigh Corner, John Dabson, Diane Gerrard, John Granger, Malda Jekabsons, Julia Jurgens, Milda Malakunas, Judith Scates.

Two Year Scholarships: Gail Ashford, John Charlesworth, Paul Hayward, Donald Newgreen, Ian Smart, James Swallow.

Junior Government: Vivienne Airs, Christine Alker, Iga Balodis, I. Bates, Julie Bell, N. Blacker, J. Bonich, Glenda Bryant, P. Burgoine, R. Burke, R. Butter, Christine Clark, G. Clifton, Olive Cumming, Nina Dougall, P. Eckhardt, M. Evans, H. Fellows, Merilyn Friend, K. Gerring, Pauline Goedecke, Margaret Hall, I. Hampson, James Handley, John Handley, Carol Heathcock, Christine Hewet, H. Hopkins, Susanne Jansen, Lamia Jekabsons, Gail Jensen, Lorraine Johnson, E. Kampourpoulos, T. Lloyd, Ruth McGrath, A. Makarov, Rosalind Marks, Margaret Matovic, D. McKenzie, Alison McLay, R. O'Keefe, Michelle Raymond Iren Richards, K. Richards, Mary Ritch, F. Rosenwarne, D. Roulston, Glenda Rowe, Iren Sahhar, J. Salter, G. Sheers, F. Sidgwick, J. Slykhuis, Deborah Starbuck, Gudrun Steiner, Jill Swann, Jennifer Temby, Lynette Thompson, Jennifer Tyrel, G. Twist, Agnes Veltmeyer, Lois Viney, R. Weedon, S. Whelan, Lesley Whittington, G. Wilson, G. Wiseman.

Williamstown City Council: R. Eades, J. Sahhar, R. Stevenson, J. Weedon, Margaret Ambrose, Valerie Kent, Tina Smith, Janne Hutchison, D. Hutchison, Sharon Hayes, Janis Davies, C. Paine, Jenny Vermuelen, C. Styles, Cynthia Kurbanovs.

Ex-Students' Association: Faye Manolakakis, Helen Williams, Diane Gerrard.

Burke Bursary: Malda Jekabsons.

Petroleum Refineries: Milda Malakunas, Aida Rozkalns, Barbara Stokes.

Australian Carbon Black P./L.: Julia Jurgens, S. Andrews.

Australian Consolidated Industries: R. Blacker, L. Corner.

Nugget P./L.: Lynne Cummings.

Parents & Citizens Association: Humanities, Ian Crocker; Science, George Feldman.

Felt & Textiles of Aust. Ltd.: Nola Burke.

L. J. Bowe Cadet Scholarship: James Brown.

BURSARIES

Leaving Certificate: Sharon Hayes, Jennifer Doull, C. Paine, Helen Sturrock, Lyndall Bellette,

Matriculation: S. Andrews, Aida Rozkalns, Barbara Stokes, Faye Manolakakis, R. Blacker, Cynthia Kurbanovs, Cherie De Rose, Judith Scates, Diane Newman, J. Weedon.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A shortage of instructors has made it impossible to have religious education periods for all forms this year. Special services were held at St. Mary's and the Drill Hall at the beginning of each term and during Education Week. We very sincerely thank all those who have helped during the year.

The inter-school Christian Fellowship Group has had a very successful year under the guidance of Mr. L. Hughes, helped by Miss S. Foster. Regular meetings have been held each lunch time, special speakers addressed the group during the year, and two films, "Time and Eternity" and "Missionary to Walkers Garage" were shown. Regular Wednesday meetings were held during the lunch hour for Bible study and prayer. Our Group joined with Melbourne High School in a social and a hike. The Committee, made up of Roslyn Robson, Sharon Hayes, Gail Ashford, Fay Manolakakis, Glenn Campbell and Julie Bell, are to be congratulated on their work for the year. We thank Mr. Hughes, Miss Foster and the Committee for the fine work they have done this year.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Advisory Council under the chairmanship of Mr. J. C. Coe has continued to give splendid service to the school. It has spared no effort to do everything possible for the benefit of the pupils and the staff. Captain Pirie who served the school so loyally for many years, did not seek re-election for the present triennial period. Mr. C. MacKenzie and Rev. Maroney have left the district and their services have been lost to the school. We sincerely thank all members of the Council for their efforts during the year.

STAFF

Like most High School we had a big change in staff for this year. New members of the staff were Mr. L. Hughes, Mr. A. Hackett, Mr. D. Park, Mr. B. Mahoney, Mr. H. Malakunas, Mr. B. Chivers, Mr. C. Bianchi, Mrs. R. Ross, Mrs. C. Gorman, Miss S. Foster, Miss J. Fox, Mrs. M. Martin, Mrs. L. Meyers, Miss J. Entwisle, Miss C. Evans, and Mrs. H. Laszlo.

This school faces the same problem in 1966 as we will be losing over one third of the staff by retirements, promotions, transfers and resignations. Mr. C. Hughes and Mr. G. Hird retire after many years of valuable service to the school. We

thank them for their loyal service and wish them well in their retirement. Our senior mistress, Miss J. Mayson, has been promoted to the position of senior mistress at Brighton High School. We congratulate Miss Mayson on this well deserved promotion and thank her for her tireless way in which she has worked for the school during her four years here.

Mr. F. Rutledge has been promoted to Murumbeena High School, Mr. D. Sherman to Bell Park High School, Mr. A. Hackett to Footscray High School and Mr. D. Park to University High School. We congratulate them, thank them for their work for the school and extend our best wishes to them for a successful stay in their new schools. Miss E. Littlehales, at present on leave overseas, has been promoted to senior mistress at Prahran High School. Mr. J. Howard, who has been a loyal and popular member of staff since 1959, is being transferred to a school closer to his home. He has exerted a fine influence in this school and will be greatly missed. We hope he will be as happy in his new school as he has been at Williamstown High School and we thank him very sincerely indeed for the splendid service he has given to our school. Mr. A. Auckett is transferring to Beaumaris High School, Mr. G. Burrows, our sportsmaster, is resigning to take a trip overseas, Mrs. Woo our cookery and needlework teacher is going back home to Singapore and Mrs. Crunden our art mistress and sports mistress is leaving the district. They leave with our thanks and our best wishes.

I am happy to report that Mr. H. Forecast, Mr. J. Becroft and Mrs. C. Gorman have been promoted in their own school and so will remain on our staff.

So far only three appointments have been made to replace the teachers who will be leaving. Mr. F. Howe from Alexandra High School will be the new headmaster; Mr. A. Baddock from Lilydale High School, and Miss R. Malakunas from Sunshine High School are the other two appointments. Other appointments are expected to be known before school finishes.

SOCIAL SERVICE REPORT

Mrs. Gilbert and her Social Service monitors are to be thanked for the help they have given during the year.

Over £100 has been collected by regular daily donations; £46-14-0 was raised for the 3DB Children's Hospital Appeal, £7-18-0 was collected from the sale of Anzac Badges and £10 by the sale of poppies.

These donations have been made from the Social Service Fund; Williamstown Hospital £25-10-0, Williamstown Elderly Citizen's Club

£20, Royal Victorian Institute for the Blind £20, Brotherhood of St. Lawrence £10-10-0, Victorian School for Deaf Children £18, Spastic Children's Society £20, Society for Crippled Children £18.

CADETS

At the end of last year the Unit farewelled Capt. T. Storey, who took up a promotion at Sunshine West High School. He was presented with an engraved tankard by the Officers and cadets of the unit in recognition of his five years of outstanding service to the Unit. The Unit welcomed Lt. J. O'Connor as 2/i.c., with newly appointed Cadet Unit Officer K. Coates and C.U.O. S. Sahhar who returned from last year.

During Term I the Unit held a successful bivouac at Gilwell Park in the Gembrook area. The boys who attended the bivouac gained experience in field-craft and specialist activities; and such factors as discipline and hygiene in the field.

Again this year the Cadets provided a Guard of Honour at the School Anzac Day Ceremony in which the high standards and bearing of past years were fully maintained.

Probably the highlight of the Cadet year is the Annual Camp held in Term II in the Puckapunyal area. This year the camp was held under canvas at Scrub Hill. Although the weather was, for most of the time, rather unkind, all boys gained valuable experience in communal living under difficult conditions. Most of the cadets enjoyed their ten-days in camp, including a muddy two days on bivouac in the Seymour State Forest, during which time we were visited by the G.O.C. Southern Command, Major-General Taylor.

In Term III the Unit Passing Out Parade was inspected and addressed by Col. H. S. Plummer. Col. Plummer asked that Lt. Henstridge pass on his congratulations to the Unit on their impressive drill, bearing and dress. Prizes were presented by Col. Plummer to: Staff Sgt. Bill Sims; W.O.2 Colin Styles; and Cdt. Greg Wilkinson, together with efficiency awards to other members of the Unit.

The Unit has completed a successful year. This success is due to the enthusiasm shown by all boys in the Unit. Special thanks are due to the Officers Lt. D. Henstridge and Lt. J. O'Connor. They have given splendid service to the unit and the school.

PREFECTS

Girls: Faye Stevenson (Head Prefect), Ann Nicholls (Deputy Head), Gail Ashford, Cherie De Rose, Julia Jurgens, Cynthia Kurbanovs, Valerie Kent, Fay Manolakakis, Jenny Rogers, Adia Rozkains, Barbara Stokes, Judith Scates,

Boys: S. Sahhar (Head Prefect), J. Granger, (Deputy Head Prefect), R. Butterfield, I. Cocks, P. Granger, B. Kraitem, D. Lang, P. McGowan, K. Seal, T. Shaw, R. Stevenson, J. Weedon.

We thank the prefects for their service to the school for this year. Most of them will be leaving school at the end of this year so we give them the very best wishes of the school and trust that their experience in carrying out their duties as prefects will stand them in good stead.

MAGAZINE

Our thanks go to Mr. C. Hughes, Mr. D. Park and the magazine managers, Janne Hutchison Margaret Saunders, Helen O'Toole and Rea Schepers for the tremendous effort they have made to make sure that this Jubilee High Tide is a success. Many ex-students have ordered this High Tide and we are confident that those who have worked so hard for this year's High Tide will be well rewarded.

S.R.C.

Representatives for this year were:

Faye Stevenson and S. Sahhar (Head Prefects), D. Allen (Form VI), W. Ritchie, Judith Holdsworth (Form V) N. Davis, Allison McMin (Form IV), D. McKenzie, Julie Bell (Form III), D. Shields and Ann Scordidis (Form II).

CLUBS

The last period on each Thursday has been given over to club activities. Many lovely toys were made for Legacy by the Soft Toy Club under the direction of Miss J. Fox. This Club is to be congratulated for its very fine work during the year. We wish particularly to thank Mrs. Ellice for the splendid work she is doing with the Floral Art Club and we wish to thank too, Matron Hardham and Mr. A. Husson for the interest they take in the Pre-Nursing Club.

CHORAL CONTEST

As usual this was the event of the year. Many friends packed the Drill Hall and they thoroughly enjoyed the singing of all the Houses. We were fortunate to have Mr. Ian Moore as our adjudicator, as he had been associated with the school as sportsmaster and teacher in charge of the school singing for many years. He thoroughly enjoyed his afternoon, heartily congratulated all Houses, awarded the contest to Dingo House and in his reply to the vote of thanks extended to him expressed his great admiration for the magnificent way the whole school sang "When Britain Really Ruled the Waves" for Cherie De Rose, conductor of the winning House.

We congratulate Dingo House on its great feat in winning the contest for the fifth year in succession and we congratulate all Houses on a very wonderful contest.

DEBATING

Wombat House is to be congratulated on its victory over Possum House in a very close debate held in the Drill Hall before the whole school. The subject of the debate was: "The censorship of books is justifiable". Mr. Dillon, a for-

mer senior master of the school adjudicated, and congratulated all debaters on the high standard they had reached. He remarked how the standard had risen each year showing the benefit the pupils in lower forms gained by being present at the final debates.

In the earlier debates Wombat House defeated Dingo House and Possum House defeated Koala House.

All who took place in these debates are worthy of the highest praise and our thanks are given to all those teachers who helped with the choice of subjects for the debates and helped the debaters prepare their arguments.

SPORT

The first major sporting event of the year was the inter-house Swimming Carnival held at the Beaurepaire Pool on March 3rd. The competition was of a very high standard and five new records were set. The overall aggregate was won by Possums with 166½ points, Dingoos came second with 150 points, Wombats third with 138 points and Koalas fourth with 110½ points. The individual champions were: **Boys Open:** John Granger (K.), Roger Saker (D.) equal. **Girls Open:** Yvonne Backus (P.). **Boys Intermediate:** Barry Hewett (K.). **Girls Intermediate:** Marion Wouda (P) **Boys Junior:** Rodney Lawerson (P.). **Girls Junior:** Irene Vick (P).

At the Western Division meeting on March 20th, Williamstown finished a close third in the overall aggregate after winning the Junior Boys section and gaining second place in the Senior Girls and Intermediate Boys sections. The outstanding individual competitor was Grant Clifton who won two events and established a new record in the backstroke for the second successive year. Others to win events were Rodney Lawerson and the boys under 13 and under 14 relay teams.

At the All-High School Sports the school was represented by Grant Clifton who gained second place in the under 14 backstroke with a time that bettered the previous record.

A wide variety of inter-school sports was engaged in and four Western Division pennants were won. Three of these pennants were for Tennis, the boys and girls senior teams, and the boys junior team all going through the season undefeated. The boys leading player Robert Butterfield, was invited to join the Linton Cup Junior Tennis Squad and had the distinction of representing Victoria in the New South Wales hard-court titles. The other pennant was won by the girls senior basketball team which was undefeated for the second successive year.

The Girls Cricket Team again played on a Saturday morning at Fawkner Park and showed

improved form to narrowly miss a place in the finals.

In a separate competition open to all High Schools in the Metropolitan area, the boys Lacrosse team went through the season undefeated, and thus retained the trophy which they won last year. In addition they defeated Williamstown Technical School who were the Technical Schools Premiers, to prove themselves the leading schoolboy team in the State. Because of the increased interest in Lacrosse at the school a Seconds team was formed to compete in the High Schools competition.

The Athletic Sports were again held in Term 3. The extensive nature of the programme necessitated holding all field events in the week prior to the Track meeting which was held at the Williamstown Oval on September 29th. The standard of competition was particularly high, especially in the boys middle distance events, and fourteen new records were set. Possums won the overall aggregate with 368½ points, Wombats were second with 308 points, Dingoos third with 296 points and Koalas fourth with 132½ points.

The individual champions were:

Boys Open: Ken Coates (W.), **Girls Open:** Adrienne Tuck (D.), **Boys Intermediate:** John Handley (D.), **Girls Intermediate:** Pauline Roberts (W.), **Boys Junior:** E. Horton (W.), D. Shields (P.) equal, **Girls Junior:** Judy King (W.)

At the Western Division meeting on October 5th, Williamstown finished 5th out of the seven competing schools. The best showing was made by the boys intermediate team in gaining second place in their section. Their success in this section was largely due to John Handley who won three events, breaking records in two of these and Stephen Williamson who won two events and broke one record. Other boys to win events were Doug Shields and Bill Rhodes.

In the girls open section Cherie De Rose won the shot put for the fourth time. Cherie also won the javelin. Judy King and Cheryl Medlicott were the other individual winners.

At the All-High School Sports the school was represented by Judy King, John Handley, Jim Handley and Bill Rhodes. None of these competitors won events but all impressed with determination that they showed. In particular John Handley's mile in 4 minutes 53.5 seconds was an outstanding performance for a fourteen year old boy.

HOUSE CAPTAINS

DINGO — Tina Smith, Paul Hayward.

KOALA — Yvonne Hewett, Robert Butterfield.

PUSSUM — Yvonne Backus, David Lyons.

WOMBAT — Lyndall Bellette, Ken Coates.

APPRECIATION

organized sport plays a very important part in the life of a school. On behalf of the school I wish to thank all those who helped this year.

I wish to thank the Williamstown City Council for the use of its grounds, the curators of the grounds for their willing help, the various tennis clubs for the use of their courts, Mrs. Wallace for her help in acting as a living judge and Mrs. Stanton for her tennis coaching, and the Williamstown Life Saving Club for the use of its pool.

I wish to thank Mrs. Crunden and Mr. Burrows for their work as sportsmistress and sportsmaster. The school is very appreciative of their good work.

EX-STUDENTS

Ex-students contributed to the Jubilee Celebrations by helping with the organization of the Reunion Ball and by staging an excellent concert. It is hoped that all students join this association when they leave school.

Officers:

President: Mr. Barry Hill.

Treasurer: Miss Barbara Fitzgibbon.

Joint Secretaries: Miss Iris Trangmar and Miss Jill Trangmar.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Parents Association has given great support to the school by its readiness to help at all school functions and by helping to purchase equipment for the school. This year it has spent £25 on towels, £100 towards the cost of the potting, £28 on prints for the art classes, £200 towards the purchase of reference books for the library, £60 towards the purchase of garden furniture. At the end of term 2 this association organized an excellent gala night for all the pupils at the school as a part of the Jubilee Celebrations.

This was held in the Drill Hall and all who attended had a wonderful night.

Officers for 1965-66 are:

President: Mr. W. Thomson.

Vice-Presidents: Mr. G. Scheppers, Mr. K. Hutchison.

Secretary: Mr. C. MacKenzie.

Asst. Secretary: Mr. D. Ferguson.

Treasurer: Mrs. W. Conway.

Committee: Mr. A. Wyatt, Mrs. P. Burke, Mrs. G. Taylor, Mrs. E. Cumming, Mrs. C. MacKenzie.

Past President: Mr. J. Criddle.

Auditors: Messrs. Colley and Claringbould.

We deeply appreciate all that this organization has done for the school and we sincerely thank all members for their work and for the interest they have shown in matters concerning the welfare of the pupils and staff. This association meets at the

school on the third Wed. of each month at 7.30 p.m. Addresses are given by specially chosen speakers, full reports are given by the headmaster and the senior mistress and frank discussions take place on all matters concerning the welfare of the school. A cordial invitation is given to all parents to join this worthwhile organization.

CANTEEN

Much good work has been done by the Manageress, Mrs. Jorgenson, the Canteen Committee and the helpers who give so generously of their time to assist with the preparation of lunches and the sale of drinks, icecream, lollies and fruit. All at the school thank these people for their constant loyal service. A warm welcome is waiting for any mother who can spare the time to help at the canteen. She will enjoy the friendliness so much in evidence among the canteen workers and will be helping in an important school activity.

CONCLUSION

This is my last year as Head Master. During my five years I have received great support from all associated with the school. It has been a wonderful experience to return as Headmaster to my old school to renew friendships, to make new friends and discover the happy spirit of friendliness that exists between parents, teachers and students. I have been very happy to have been associated with the Jubilee Celebrations and will take away with me lasting memories of the reunions.

This has not been an easy year. Teaching conditions have been far from satisfactory as there has not been enough class room accommodation. A big change in staff also increased the difficulties of organization.

I wish to thank all connected with the school for the help given to me during my period as Head Master. Williamstown High School has a grand tradition and this has been built up by the support given to the school by pupils, teachers and parents.

I particularly wish to thank Mrs. Matthews and Mrs. Nicholls for the help given in office routine. They have given sterling service under very trying and primitive office conditions.

Special thanks must be given to Miss Mayson for her excellent work as senior mistress. Her loss to the school will be a great one. I wish to thank Mr. Jones for his help and loyalty as senior master. He had no easy task in succeeding such an outstanding senior master as Mr. Dillon.

It has been a great honour for me to serve the old school again. I wish I had been able to do more for it. I am certain you will make Mr. F. Howe feel at home and give him all the help you can.

Best wishes for the future go to all who are leaving school. "Hold Fast" to your ideals.